- Jan. 27. (Union Hall) Annual meeting, Provident Mut. Relief Assn. Jan. 28
- Feb. 2. Y. M. C. A. Lecture, George W. Bain, "The New Feb. 3 Woman and the Old Man". Large audience
 - 3. Company E Prize Drill and Ball Feb. 4 First, Sergt. W. C. Huntoon Second, Private Crockett Stewartson's Cr. Colburn catered.
 - 4. Y. M. C. A. Course. Van Veachton Rogers, harp Feb. 3, 5 Felix Winternitz, violin Miss Maude E. Paradis, piano Charles T. Grilley, humorist
 - 8. Edison's Vitascope Feb. 5, 9, 10, 11
 - 9. The advertisement: "the original and greatest of all picture machines"; "the talk of the 10. picture machines; the talk of the world"; "the sensation of the century"; "the wonder of the age". Two singers 25, 35, 50d

 The review: "the real thing"; no fake; Concord sees "the great invention at
 - its best for the first time". Great enthusiasm; some reels repeated on demand of audiences, which were large.
 - The favorite pictures: the Black Diamond Express, going 70 miles per hour; the run of the fire department; mounted policeman stopping a runaway horse; prize fight.
 - 11. Last of Y. M. C. A. Course. Kellogg Bird Carnival. Feb. 12 Kellogg, bird calls Mrs. Kellogg, songs Miss Dillman, calisthenics AND the Vitascope, for added attraction.
 - 12. Edison's Vitascope Feb. 12
 - 13. Matinee 13. Evening
 - First concert-ball, Uniformed Rank, K. P. 16. Feb. 17 Blaisdell's Or. Supper, Union Hall, F. E. Colburn Large attendance.
 - Governor's Ball. Blaisdell's Or. augmented. Feb. 19 18. Page of Lowell catered Monitor story illustrated.

 (interior views of W. O. H.)

Bookings, Season of 1396-1397.

Feb. 24. Elmiro Minstrels (mostly High School boys)

Interlocutor, Charles Hemeon

Ends, Sam Haslam, Charles Norton,

Eddie Ash, Albert Belisle,

Frank Phillips, John Tyles,

Charles Woodbury, Mark Smith

Elmiro Quartette, Eddie Underhill, Fred Blackwood,

Joseph Odlin, Charles Chandler.

Others, Arthur Adams, Victor Blaisdell, Joseph Blanchette ("danseuse") Frank A. Leavitt, banjo

Arthur F. Nevers, cornet Farce, "Romeo and Juliet" Orchestra, Carl Blaisdell and Ed

Orchestra, Carl Blaisdell and Edward Fitzgerald, violins; A. F. Nevers, cornet; Charles Tozier and S. L. French, clarinets; Irving Webster, trombone; Oscar Pelkey, traps; B. J. Harriott, piano and director.

800 people saw a show first class in every respect. The show was repeated at Suncook and other small towns.

- 25. Walker Lecture. George Kennan, "The Siberian Feb. 26 Convict Mines", a "most impressive story".
- 26. Company C. Ball. Stewartson's Or. Feb. 27
- Mar. 4. Walker Lecture. H. C. Hovey, D. D., a great Mar. 5 grandson of the first Dr. Ezra Carter.

 "Mammoth Cave and Other Magnificent Caverns" illustrated. The usual large crowd.
 - 10. Walker Course. Prof. William R. Brooks. Mar. 11
 "The Wonders of the Heavens" illustrated
 Large audience.
 - 29. Daniel Sully in "O'Brien the Contractor" Mar. 20, 30 Moderate house "highly pleased" by the first dramatic performance in more than two months.
- Apr. 5. H. A. DuSouchet's "My Friend from India" Mar. 31, Apr. 6
 35, 50, 75¢ Rated as the funniest
 farce since "Charkey's Aunt".

 Large audience. Piece called very funny.
 Of the cast, James Lackaye, Ada Gilman,
 Allen Davenport, and Marie Carlyle were
 good, the others inferior.

6. Mat. T. P. Brooke and Chicago Marine Band. Mar. 31, Apr. 3, 6 Miss Sibyl Sammis, soprano.

NOTE: "On the Wing" says hard times have made this season the worst in the memory of man. Monitor, April 7, 1897.

apr. 14. G.a. A. Reception apr. 15 apr. 19. 27th concert ball Caberniano. Stewartsoniste 100 Comples on floor The the same built share for an error of the same of

SMALL AUDIENCE FOR A GREAT ATTRACTION Apr. 16. (F. C.) Whitney Opera Co. in DeKoven Apr. 10, 17 & Smith's "Rob Roy"

Rob Roy, Arthur Parker Prince Charles, Frank Glynn Arthur Donaldson Town Crier, Harry Parker Mayor of Perth, Edwin HL Carriel Capt. Sheridan, Miss Frances Rousseau Others parts by Miss Atherton and Miss Florence Wolcott. Though the audience was small, it was very enthusiastic.

21. St. John's Bazaar to pay for arch, Calvary Cemetery) Apr. 21,23 22.

27. Boston Festival Orchestra (45) Apr. 17, 27 Emil Mollenhauer, conductor.

Miscellaneous first part, in which the principal orchestral numbers were Tschaikowsky's "1812" overture and Liszt's "Les Preludes". Of the vocal solos, the principal was the singing of the Prologue to "Pagliacci" by Giuseppe Cempanari. The Monitor bemoaned the fact that the remarkably well-balanced and conducted orchestra had no more to do. Between the parts, the orchestra played ballet music from "Faust". Second part, Act 3 of Gounod's "Faust" in costume.

Marguerite, Miss Rose Stewart Siebel) Miss Jennie Mae Spencer

Martha) Faust, Barron Berthald Mephistopheles, Campanari

Of course, Campanari again stole the show.

Miss' Minnie E. Little, pianist Charles Moerenhout, violin

For a wonder, in hard times, the audience was large. Of course it was very enthusiastic.

"Pinafore" ("up to date"), benefit of Uncle Ben Davis. Apr. 23,30
Josephine, Elizabeth Wright Shaw, Lowell May 1 29. 30. Little Buttercup, Mrs. Rose Jenkins Maynard Hebe, Clara Harriott Sir Jospeh, Ross H. Maynard Capt. Corcoran, James T. Spellman Ralph Rackstraw, George E. Dunn Dick Deadeye, Charles C. Prescott

Boatswain, John B. Randolph Carpenter's Mate, Martin N. Wirrell Chorus of 75. Blaisdell's Or.
Cora Fuller Straw, piano. H. G. Blaisdell conducted.
The "up to date" part was a concert on deck in Act 1 by Nevers's 3d Regt. Band and Concord Mandolin Club. 35, 50, 75¢ First night, well filled house; second, large audience.

May 1. 35th Unitarian May Festival Apr. 21 May 1 3:30. Children's dance 5- 7. Supper, Union Hall 7:00. Operetta, "The Toy Shop", directed by Alline Emily Arcan 8:30. Dancing, Blaisdell's Or. Admission, 25%; reserved seats, 50, \$5, \$1;

NOTE: Drink has again got the great Richard Golden down; he is playing in dime opera. Monitor, May 3. And the Manola-Mason partnership is being broken by divorce, and each will take the alcohol-cure separately.

dancing, 50¢

May 4. Benefit for James T. Brooks Apr. 3
Blaisdell's Or. Mrs. Frank E. Brown, Apr. 30, May 5 Mrs. Rose Jenkins Maynard, Charles S. Conant, James T. Spellman. Dancing. Very large attendance.

Danforth & Mansur (local) exhibit the magnoscope. May 5,7,8

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As usual at early moving picture shows, it was thoughtnecessary to give also a variety show. This included Will H. Gould, Eve. the Concord illusionist; Miss Susie Goodwin, song and dance soubrette; George Tyler, vocalist. 25, 30¢; matinee, 10¢

The show does not seem to have attracted large audiences or enthusiasm. In those days, the films and projectors had to be exceptionally good, or the result was unsatisfactory. So far, only the Vitascope has pleased, apparently.

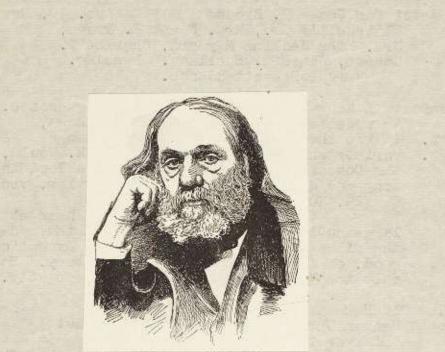
"The Old Homestead". May 6, 14 Denman Thompson was agin resting, but . this was the No. 1 company.

In spite of Thompson's absence and the rain, the audience was large, and the performance was "thoroughly delightful", though Archie Boyd, a southerner, had

not been expected to be a good Yankee.

Joshua Whitcomb, Archie Boyd
Aunt Matilda, Marie Kimball
Seth Perkins, Charles H. Clarke
Happy Jack, Fred Clare
Cy Prime, Will Cressy Rickety Ann, Blanche Dayne Eb. Ganzey, J. L. Morgan

Richard Jose sang "The Palms" with great effect. There is an article on Cressy and Dayne in the Monitor, May 13.



Edward Everott Hale

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June 1. Charles H. Hoyt's "A Stranger in New York". May 26, June 2

The piece was being tried out in New England, and shaken down prior to going into New York in the fall. Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt were with the company, which was one of Hoyt's best. Harry Conor played the lead; Harry Gilfoil was Baron Sands; George A. Beane was I. Collier Downe. Among the others were Jeannette St. Henry, Marie Millard, Nellie Butler, Amy Muller, Arthur Pacie, Lloyd Wilson, Charles Warren, J. F. Hyams.

Conor, who made "One the Bowefy" famous, sang "The Bowery Ain't What It Used to Be".

For a wonder, at the hot-weather end of a hard-time season, there was standing room only.

Hoyt then controlled two theaters in New

York, with numerous companies on the road.

Dartmouth College Dramatic Club in Richard June 2, 9 Brinsley Sheridan's "Sebbol for Scandal". Coached by Belle Marshall Locke. 50¢
Sir Peter Teazle, George A. Green
Joseph Surface, E. P. Seelman
Charles Surface, Joseph W. Gannon, of Concord Maria, J. L. Barney Lady Teazle, Harold D. Gilbert Lady Sneerwell, H. E. Keyes Mrs. Candour, C. U. Tirrell Sir Oliver Surface, R. F. Marden Crabtree) R. E. Maben Careless Sir Benjamin Backbite, R. W. Payne Rowley, J. P. I Moses, E. H. Crane Snake, A. P. Watson J. P. Richardson Sir Harry Bumper, F. W. Cavanaugh Servant, P. H. Winchester Not a large audience to see one of the greatest comedies of all time. The performance was good, though the pace was a little slow.

25. Afternoon. Concord High School Graduation. June 25 Address by Rev. Edward Everett Hale, D. D.

25. Evening. Levee of Graduating Class.

June 25

Summary, Season of 1896-1897:
White's Opera House alone, 76+3
Union Hall,
Total bookings,

This was by far the worst season since 1880.

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In "my Boys" (Ho C. Cearson's notes): Vera Dore Florence Earles, may monaford

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- Aug. 30. The Lees, hypnotists. 15,25, 35, 50¢ Aug.30,31,Sep.2,3,4
 31. The first night, before a small audience,
 Sept. 1. Sylvain Lee put a subject to sleep, then
 had him stuck on exhibition in the store
 window of E. Lapierre (the Monitor has a
 picture of the man lying there). Lee announced that the man would be brought on the
 stage and awakened at the W ednesday night
 performance. That night, and for the rest
 of the week, the house was always crowded.
 - 7. Nellie McHenry in "A Night in New York" Sept. 1, 8 with her husband John Webster.

 Nellie stood age better than the piece, and her company was not so good as last year's.
 - 10. George Richards and Eugene Canfield in Sep. 4, 11
 William Gill's "My Boys".

 These comedians, famous for their work in
 "A Temperance Town" had a play as absurd
 as those by Hoyt, but not so ludicrously
 funny. The play was rated as poor (it
 later failed to find favor in N: Y.),
 but the stars were funny, and the girls
 were chosen, as Hoyt chose his, for their
 beauty--especially Sallie Stembler, Mattie
 - Keene, and Florence Earle.

 13. Chimman Medic Minister No. No. No. Medican M
 - 27. "Shore Acres"

 Archie Boyd as Nathaniel Berry; the rest of the company about the same as last year. Boyd was pretty good, but inferior to Wilson, as well as to Herne. Yet the play took as powerful a hold as ever on a large audience.
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 29. Middlebaugh's Musical Comedy Co. in Sept. 23, 30

 "A World of Fun". 35, 50¢

 The show had pleased the Dakotas, but did not mplease the Monitor, which thought it a "review" of the last twenty years; what fun there was came from antiquity; and such a performance hurt the theatrical business.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL, EUROPEAN PLAN. EDWARD N. ROTH. Dec 26 th, 96 Cincinnati, Thy dear Av- Rock My Iniena thanks In your kind remembrances Jorget that Ire are away fine home Fory condually yours Madeling Juette Otyley.

Oct. 7. Herbert Kelcey and Effie Shannon in Madeline Oct. 2, 8

Lucette Ryley's "A Coat of Many Colors",
during its first week out of Wallack's
Theater, N. Y.

Joseph, Herbert Kelcey Esther Gunning, Miss Effie Shannon Floraan Walboys, W. J. LeMoyne Lola McWhirter, Miss Georgia Busby Saunders, Edward See

Others in "one of the finest comedy companies" included Bruce McRae, David Torrence, Richard Brinton, Edmund D. Lyons, Edwin James, and Miss Ellie E. Wilton. Torrence, not yet arrived, was rather reasted. Fair audience saw the "clever play of the day".

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12. Annual meeting, Concord & Montreal R. R. Oct. 12

13. James A. Herne's "The Hearthstone"

Jerry Doyle, Tony Farrell

Martin Coyne, Seth Smith

Heir of Ashley, J. Hooker Wright

Others in cast included George

K. Henry and George Earle.

Fair house showed warm appreciation.

15. Ball, Albion Club. Stewartson's Or. Oct. 16

19. (Union Hall) Rehearsal, Elmiro Minstrels Oct. 19

21. Joseph Arthur's "Blue Jeans", scenic melodrama. Oct.15,22

The piece contained the material for a good play in the skilful hands of an Augustus Thomas or a James A. Herne.

But it missed. The players "acted" with superabundant vigor, yet the large audit cince seemed well pleased. Program in D. Claus belletion

NOTE: Frank Hayden formerly produced all plays and designed all costumes for the Kimball-Corinne Opera Co. (Mrs. Kimball was the foster-mother of the waif, Corinne). Lately Hayden was with Bessie Bonehill in "The Little Monte Christo", but is now free. Monitor, October 22, 1897.

22. Elmiro Minstrels

The youngsters had more help than formerly from their elders. The reorganized Schubert Male Quartette (Horace D. Bean, I. Eugene Keeler, James T. Spellman, Charles C. Prescott) made their first public appearance. Chorus strong and well-drilled. Blaisdell's Or.

Look up and not down Look fraud and not back; · Look art and not in! Land a hand Edward & Hele

- Oct. 30. "The Pay Train", scenic melodrama. Oct. 26, Nov. 1
 Acceptable Saturday night entertainment for a good house.
- Nov. 2. GeoRichards& Eugene Canfield return in "My Boys". Oct.26, Nov. 3

 Though the critical Monitor, and later

 New York, thought the piece a poor one,
 no more enthusiastic audience ever sat
 in the Opera House. Program in B. J. Adams bollichim
 - 5. Frank Jones and Lillian Walton in Oct. 30, Nov. 6
 "A Yankee Drummer". 35, 50¢
 The 200 present measured the "quality" of the show.
 - 8. Revves's American Band.

 Minna Van Buren, soprano
 Bowen R. Church, cornet
 Claude W. Sparry, trombone
 Medium-sized audience (for the time
 bands could not draw here), but
 they encored nearly every number.
 - 13. Mat. Gec. P. Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Nov. 5 Eve. 2 Topsies, 2 Marks, double band and or. Mat. 10, 25¢; eve. 25, 35, 50¢ NO REVIEW
 - 15. Koster & Bial's "Gayest Manhattan"

 Book by W. H. Lytell

 Music by W. H. Batchelor

 60 people, all from Koster &

 Bial's Music Hall, including Richard Gorman,

 Gertie Reynolds, Gus Pixley, Jennie Lewis,

 Grace Sherwood, James A. Kiernan, Robert

 Watson, Matt Alexander, Thomas Kiernan, Jean Mc
 Ilmoyle, and Kate Michelena.

 Large and enthusiastic audience.
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 20. "The Walking Delegate", comic operat from the Nov.15,16,20,22 summer season at Tremont Theater, Boston.

 Book by Chas. Emerson Cook

 Music by Lucius Hosmer.

 J. L. Kearney as The Delegate.

 Grace Greenwood as Woo-Mee.

 Some fair folk in the cast, but the piece and performance disappointed a good-sized audience.
 - 22. Lillian Kennedy in "The Deacon's Daughter"

 Heavily advertised in spite of Monitor's unfavorable opinion last season. The Monitor did not deign to review this performance.

State of Georgia. (DICTATED) Executive Department. 188 Attlanta, Da. April, 10th., General Marcus J. Wright, Washington, D. C. My Dear General:-I enclose the letter you request, and hope that Colonel Howard will be appointed. With good wishes, I am, Yours Truly, 1899

State of Georgia. (DICTATED) Executive Department. 188 Mtlanta, Ga. April, 10th., General Marcus J. Wright, Washington, D. C. My Dear General:-Yours Truly,

- Nov. 25. Rhea reappears, this time in "Camille" Nov. 20, 26

 William Harris was Bien Duval and Lauren
 Rees was Armand. A very large audience
 was far from enthusiastic, though Rhea
 was at her best and the performance (in
 spite of her continuing mb inability to
 speak good English) ranked with the best ever
 given here.
 - 30. Walker Course. Gen. John B. Gordon, late C. S. A. Dec. 1
 "The Last Days of the Confederacy".

 The house was crowded on a unique occasion in its history. Gordon was a great orator, tall, straight ("Ramrod" his men called him), imposing, one of Lee's right hadd men in the last days. Back of him, on the stage, sat a hundred Union veterans of the Civil War, who cheered him and afterwards entertained him at supper at the Eagle.
- Dec. 2. Redpath Grand Concert Co. Nov. 27, Dec. 2
 Clementine de Vere, soprano
 Romualdo Sapio, piano
 Clara Murray, harp.
 No review
 - 7. Chas. E. Blaney's farce, "A Railroad Ticket". Nov.29, Dec. 4
 with Burt Haverly, Laura Biggar, James
 Bevins, Edith Murilla, Harry Porter.

 A lively show, composed of special—
 ties and no more. Good house.
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 8. Walker Lecture. Prof. Dinsmore, "The Most Wobderful Dec. 9
 Structure in the World" (chemical)
 - 14. Walker LEcture. Prof. W. Hinton White, "Neptune's Realm". Dec. 11, 15
 - 16. Elmer E. Vance's "Patent Applied For" (spectacle) Dec 8, 17
 Acting principally by Stanley Kent and Clara Moran.
 Specialties by Charles Barry, Beatrice, Baby Lillian.
 A horseless carriage was advertised to appear
 on the stage, but failed to cut much of a figurel
 But it was rated as "a rattling good show".
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 Choquan in D. J. Collection.

 22. Walker Course. Rev. Roland D. Grant, D. D. Dec. 23

 of Concord, "The Klondike", illustrated
 - 24. Universalist Christmas Party Dec. 23
 - 29. (Union Hall) Annual meeting, Concord Cattle Co. Dec. 29
 - 29. Walker Lecture. Prof. Northrop. Dec. 29

Dec. 30. Margaret Mather in "Cymbeline"

Incidental musicipy Reginald DeKoven.

Imogen, Margaret Mather, artistic and delightful
Posthumus, Harrison J. Welfe, vivacious and capable
Iachimo, Mark Price, sterling

Sumptuous production; large audience.
Within a few weeks, Miss Mather was dead,
leaving only debts and the scenery of this
fine production. Monatar, April 21, 1898.

Program, Concord Room, from E. L. P. Scrap Book.
31. Ball, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.
Stewartson's Or. Supper, F. E. Colburn

Jan. 12. Walker Lecture. Rev. A. AJ. Palmer Jan. 13 (The Civil War from the Union side)

13. Lincoln J. Carter's "Under the Dome". Jan. 5, 8
Scenic melodrama, introducing the hurricane
at Apia, the wreck of the Trenton, New York
ferryboat.

Nora Considine, May Cody Langdon
Ned Langmure, Robert Gaillard
Dave Bowers, T. J. Langdon
Seth Baldwin, Harry Langdon
Carrie Cummings, Pearl Seward
Howard Considine, G. W. Kerr
Baron von Bibber, Frederic Kimball
Bud Wilson, Charles McElhaney
Dick Halton, L. O. Bailey
Rev. B. Z. Body, D. H. Wilson
Officer Bowers, Grover Alberts
Dr. Ganon, H. Radcliffe
Lieut. Lawrence, GL O. Gordon

- 14. Kearsarge and Eagle Ball. Nevers 1 3d Reg. Band. Jan. 14
- 20. Pilgrim Fathers' Masquerade. Stewartson's Or. Jan. 17, 20, 21
- 24. H. A. Du Souchet's "My Friend from India". Jan.17,20,25
 A. Keene Shaver, a barber, Walter E. Perkins, the original
 Tillie. a German girl, Miss Kenyon Bishop
 Gertrude Underholt, Miss Helen Lee
 Erastus Underholt, Fred Mower.

The above were specially commended, as was also John Terriss, who was in the original cast, though the part he took is not mentioned. Others in support: Miss Mena Ring, Miss Luale Nelson, George Pauncefort, Irving Williams, Emily Wakeman. Perkins was an excellent farceur. The large audience saw a much better performance than the former one here.

- 26. (Union Hall) Annual meeting, Provident Mut. Relief Assn. Jan. 27
- 28. Canton Wildey Ball. Blaisdell's Or.

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Feb. 3. Edison's Graphoscope (moving pictures) Jan. 29, Feb. 4 25, 35¢ Good attendance; pleasing.

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Selina Fetter Royle and Edward Milton Royle in Feb. 2, 9 the latter's "Captain Impudence" Play much better than majority.

Drew only a small audience. Excellent com-pany, including Thaddeus Shire, Benjamin Graham, Joseph Casack, Mamie Dupont, and Lillian Daily.

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Spears Comedy & Dramatic Co. and or. 10,20,30%; mat. 10,20. Feb. 9,12

Clarence Bennett's "A Royal Slave" 500 in house Feb. 9, 12, 15 "Only a Jay" Feb. 15

15. "Monte Cristo" well given

Feb. 16, 17 Feb. 17 Feb. 18 "A Noble Revenge" 17.

"Faust" 18. Mat. "Fanchon" 19. Feb. 19

Eve.

In the company: Clarence Bennett, Capitola Marshall, Una Claytom, Edna Marshall, Joseph Carey, Francis Morey, W. F. Kohman, E. T. Spears, Ralph Durfee, Marie Malten, Raymond Gilbert, Thomas Sweeney, Walter Lawrence, J. Jones.

Knights of Pythias Ball. Feb. 21. Blaisdell's Or. Supper, American House

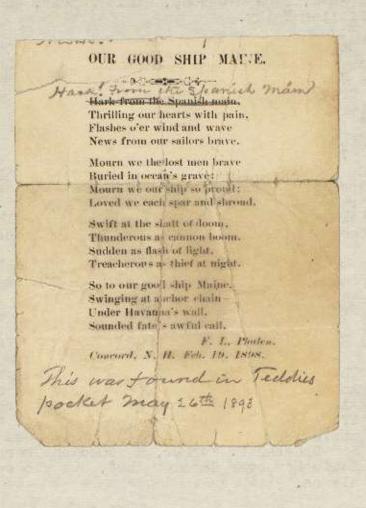
Co. E. Prize Drill and Ball Feb. 22

25. Charles H. Yale's "The Twelve Temptations" Feb. 19, 26 35, 50, 75\$ This was a spectacular extravaganza, and called good. In the show were Josie Sisson, a good singer; Sadie Stephens, a delight to the eye, if not to the ear; Elliott & Rosaire, the best comic acrobats that had ever been seen here; and Charles W. Turner, a comedian "worse than Eddie Foy ever dared to be", but who seemed to please. Program in D. J. adams Collection

Mar. 4. Chas. Frohman presents "Never Again" Feb. 23, Mar. 5 6 mos. in N. Y., 9 in Chicago, 1 in Boston.
Ribot, E. M. Holland Katzenjammer, Ferdinand Gottschalk Octavia, Grace Kimball

Marceline, Marie Derickson The Monitor thought the play had too much Gallic or Garlic for Concord; marital infi-delity is not humorous. But the players were praised very highly-19 of them besides those above named. Program in 8 Adams Collection

also (16. b. P.): maggies Holloway Fisher, may Lambert,



- Mar. 8. "Sowing the Wind"

 The best performance of the three. Not even the memory of Mary Hampton, J. H. Gilmour and Thomas Whiffen could obscure the excellence of the work by Herbert E. Sears, Elizabeth Hobloway and W. H. Turner in their parts.

 Good house. Graguem in D. Claume bollection
 - 14. Charles E. Blaney's "A Boy Wanted" Mar. 5, 15
 An extravaganza featuring Edward J. Heron,
 comedian; Frances Hartley, singer; Gehrue Sisters,
 dancers; Frank C. Young, dancer; Nellie O'Neil.
 NO REVIEW.
 - 21. Charles H. Hoyt's intestx"A Stranger in N. Y. Mar. 12, 22

 Large house saw piece much improved since
 its trial in May.

 Stranger, Otis Harlan
 I.Collier Downe, William Devere
 Baron Sands, Tom Martin
 May Ketchum, Villa Knox
 Hattie, Charlotte Crane
 Virginia Pryde, Miss Spencer
 The 61 ayton Sisters danced
 - 22. Memorial Service for those who lost their lives Mar. 23 in the sinking of the U. S. S. Maine Presiding, Capt. W. S. Edgerly, U. S. A. Prayer, Rev. D. C. Roberts, D. D. Singing, Mrs. F. E. Brown. Original declamation, Claude L. Stott Speeches, L. D. Stevens, Rev. Frank L. Phalen Song, George Hutchins, son of Lt. Hamilton Hutchins Butts Musical Drill, squad from Co. E Concord Troubadours. Miss Ada M. Aspinwall, accompanist. The meeting was preceded by a great parade of military and others companies and school children. The mounted standard bearer of the school division was Clark P. Chandler, later of the U. S. A. In the parade were Nevers' Third Regiment Band and the Marine Band from Charlestown Navy Yard. They played also in the Opera House.
- Apr. 11. Ball, Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Apr. 11

13. G. A. R. Campfire.

Apr. 13

14. Chas. Frohman presents Wm. Gillette's "Secret Service". Apr. 8,15
A large audience was moved from traditional
Concord stolidity; five curtain calls after
Act 2. Perfect stage management; smallest
part well done. Cast on next page.

Georgia Caine

Cast of "Secret Service"
Capt. Thorne, Byron Douglass
Arrelsford, Campbell Gollan
Wilfred Varney, Walter Thomas, originator
Edith Varney, Miss Hanneh May Ingham
Caroline Mitford, Margaret Mayo
Mrs. Varney, Miss Ida Waterman, originator
Servants (Miss Alice Leigh, originator
(H. D. James, originator
Dumont, W. L. Alsop, originator
Gen. Randolph, Hamilton Harris
Lieut, Foray, Charles Crosbie.

Apr. 18. Kellar the Magician Fair house.

Apr. 11, 19

21.. Denman Thompson in "The Old Homestead" Apr. 14,19,22
(his first time here in five years)

Cast otherwise unchanged except that

John Barker played Eb Ganzey.

On the first morning of the seat-sale,
the house plan was made "as black as Spanish
treachery". Over 1000 in the audience. The
best performance of the play ever given here.

Since its first production in April, 1886,
the piece had been played more than 5000 times,
at an average box office "take" of about \$950
a performance. Monitor, April 21.

26. Edwin Mayo in Frank Mayo's dramatization of Apr. 20,27

Mark Twain's "Pudd'nhead Wilson".

Besides Edwin Mayo in the name-part,
there were his wife, Frances Graham,
Frank Campeau, W. R. McKey, Belle
Stoddard, and Ada Dwyer. The cast
was admirable, without exception.
Only 300 in house. Stewartson's Or.

May 3. 39th Unitarian May Festival.

Sales. 4:00. Children's Dance, dir. by Miss Rose I. Byrne
6-8. Supper, Union Hall. [of Boston
Children's dances repeated
8-12. Dancing, Blaisdell's Or.

7. Chas H. Hoyt's latest "A Day and a Night in N. Y." May 3, 8

First produced at New Haven, Apr. 18.

Otis Harlan as Marble Hart; Georgia Caine
as Commodore Lyon Habt. Others in company:
Wm. Devere, Villa Knox, Lew Bloom, Nellie
O'Neil, W. H. Currie, Thos. Evans, Clayton
Sisters, Jane Cooper. The piece was not up
to the "Trip" or "Stranger", but as Hoyt was
traveling with the show and building it up,
hopes were expressed. Of course there was a
lot of patriotic stuff in it. Large and
very enthusiastic audience.

May 10. Cantata, "Belshazzar" (by Y. M. C. A.) May 10, 11, 12

Belshazzar, Clarence H. Wilson, Boston
Cyrus, George E. Dunn
Zerubbabel, Charles S. Conant
Daniel, Charles C. Prescott
Natocris, Ella Hall Shields, Boston
Antonia, Minnie Allen, imported
Shelomith, Rose Jenkins Maynard
Jewish Princess, Florence L. Brown
Angel, Alice F. Parker
Zerlina, Alice H. Patch
Babylonian Captive, Waldo T. Worcester
Large chorus. Blaisdell's Or.
Ada M. Aspinwall, pianist
Cregar in Contract Collection

13. Concord High School Cadets Prize Drill and Ball. May 14

24. E. E. Sturtevant Post, G. A. R. benefit. May 4, 25

"The Breach of Promise Suit"
Presiding Justice, Solon A. Carter
Plaintiff, Miss May Cressy
Defendant, John C. Linehan
Plaintiff's Attorney, A. V. Newton, Worcester
Defendant's Attorney, C. B. Perry, Worcester
Clerk of Court, Harry G. Sargent
Court Officer, C. E. Staniels
Court Crier, L. J: Rundlett
Witnesses: Mrs. Addie L. Cushman, Miss
May A. Keenan, Dr. G. P. Conn.

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Jas. OL Lyford, Col. Thos. Cogswell
Jury: L. D. Stevens, Ezra S. Stearns,
Wm. D. Chandler, Wm. F. Thayer,
John M. Mitchell, A. B. Woodworth,
Byron Moore, C. C. Danforth, Frank
W. Rollins, L. S. Richardson,
Benj. C. White, J. C. Badger.

June 20. Reception, St. Mary's School. Blaisdell's Or. June 21

24. Afternoon. Concord High School Graduation. June 24
Address by Rev. Arthur Little, D. D.

24. Evening. Graduation Levee. Blaisdell's Or. June 24

Summary, Season of 1897-1898

White's Opera House alone, 78
Union Hall alone, 3
Total bookings, 31

The season as a whole was somewhere near the average of recent years, all things considered.

For the first time, the Opera House is completely lighted by electricity. Fred Emerton, gas engineer for 19 of the house's 23 preceding seasons, is now electrician. David J. Adams, stage manager for 10 years, continues. His assistants are Walter Coffin, Fred Carr, C. C. Plummer, Oscar Plummer, most of them veterans in service. Frank P. Mace continues, as from the first, to be treasurer. Special Officer Eaton takes the tickets. m F. S. Crockett is responsible for distributing the programs. The ushers are: C. E. Betton, Harry A. Danforth, H. G. Allen, E. C. Lyons, Guy L. Crosby, Walter G. Fuller, A. W. Todd, and Clinton O. Perteridge. Monitor, August, 23, 24, 1898.

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Aug. 23. Sylvaine Lee, hypnotist Aug. 20, 23, 24

24. 15, 25, 35, 50¢

25.
26. One of his stunts was to drive a hypnotized man about town, the subject finding a hidden needle.

31. Democratic State Convention Aug. 31

31. Democratic Second Congressional District Aug. 31
Convention.

Sept. 8. "The Nancy Hanks" 35, 50, 75% Sept. 1, 9
with Frank Tannehill, Jr., Mrs. Tannehill,
Lillian Allyn, Georgie Lingard, Ollie Lowe,
Maude Giroux, Frank Caldwell, E. F. Harvey,
Taylor Williams, George De Long.
Good show; not a stick in the company.
But less than 100 saw it, for outdoors
there was a superior show—the return of
the N. H. Regiment from Chicamauga, where
they had seen no fighting but had suffered
terribly from unsanitary camp and poor food.

12. Republican Caucus.

Sept. 12, 13

- 13. Republican State Convention. Sept. 13
 Gallinger presided; F. W. Rollins for Governor.
- 13. Republican Second District Congress Convention. Sept. 13
- 14. (Union Hall) Republican Senator Conv. Dist. 10. Sept. 14
- 15. (Union Hall) Republican Council Conv. Dist. 4. Sept. 15
- 15. First local performance of Geo. W. Ryer & Denman
 Thompson's "The Sunshine of Paradise
 Alley" (now in third season) 35, 50, 75%. Sept. 9,16
 John James O'Grady, William James Shea
 The Mudlark, Joseph Breil
 Jimmie Powers, Dyke Brooke
 Sunshine, Emma Italia
 (Old Irish Woman), Mary Thompson
 Helen Rich, Phila May

Play not very good, but pleased a large house.

- Sept. 20. "Shore Acres"

 Nat Berry, Archie Boyd

 Martin Berry, Atkins Lawrence
 Squire Blake, Wm. H. Burton

 Ann Berry, Belle Theodore

 Helen Berry, Marie Falls

 Dr. Leonard, Herbert Flansburgh
 Joel Gates, George K. Henry.
 - 26. "Town Topics", with John W. World, Robert Sept. 21, 27
 Garnella and Wm. H. Mack.

 Horse play.

Large audience enjoyed play as much as ever.

- 29. "On Land and Sea"

 Advertised the wreck of the Columbia and a steam threshing machine in action.

 As seen, they fell rather flat.
- Oct. 8. Edward E. Rice's "The Ballet Girl". Oct. 1, 3, 10

 Book by James T. Tenner; lyrics by
 Adrian Ross; music by Karl Kiefert and Rice.

 In the cast: David Lythgoe, Jacques
 Kruger, Edgar Halstead, Gus Burns, Fred
 Bolomon, Chris Bruno, Charles Seagraves,
 James Lindsey, Violet Dene (who created the
 lead in London), Marie Halton, Christine
 Anderson, Claire Palma, Irene Vera, May
 Hamilton, Lillian Cooley, Rose Flores,
 and Catherina Barth, danseuse. Chorus
 of 50.

 A large audience thought this
 piece was "all right". Rice assumed to

piece was "all right". Rice assumed to believe that it surpassed all his earlier triumphs, but he was wrong.

- 12. Walker Lecture. Miss Annie Peck. "To the Summit of the Matterhorn", illustrated. 1000 in house
- 14. Albion Club Ball.

Oct. 14

- 18. Walker Lecture. Miss Peck, "A thens", ill.Oct. 18,19
- 19. David Belasco's "The Heart of Maryland"

 Naryland Calvert, Miss Alma Kruger

 Col. Fulton Thorpe, Herbert Bostwick (Colonal and and Sexton, Walter Belasco

 Provest Sergeant, H. S. Milliard

 TEXEX Tom Boone, Tefft Johnson

 Col.A lan Hendrick, Lionel Adams

 Others mentioned, but not the parts they took,

 Miss Vislaire, Mr. Memminger, Miss Tidball,

 Mr. McLaughlin. Very large house; superbly

 mounted; stage management perfect; "wonderful".

- Oct. 20. Walker Lecture. Miss Peck. "The Acropolis", ill. Oct. 21
 - 25. Geo. H. Broadhurst's farce, "What Happened to Jones". Oct. 20,21,26
 A large cast, including E. Soldene Powell,
 Charles Greene. "hilarious"
 - 27. Walker Lecture. Miss Peck. "A Trip in the Pele- Oct. 28 ponnesos", illustrated.
 - 28. Operatic Concert and First Act of Rossini's Oct. 26, 29

 "Semiramide" in costume and with scenery.

 Arsace, Sofia Scalchi, the great contralto

 Assur, Achille Alberti, baritone

 Semiramide, Helene Noldi. soprano

 Piano, Walter A. Peck.

 Codurri Casizio, tenor, also in company.

 Meager audience, as the

 Monitor thought, indicated Concord did

 not care for the best. [But why go to

 grand opera without an orchestra?]
- Nov. 1. Joe Ott in "Looking for Trouble". Oct. 27, Nov. 2
 Ott was regarded as a good comedian, but
 it was thought that he would find trouble
 if he kept on with the same play and the
 same support. Just a veriety show.
 - 3. Walker Lecture. Dr. John C. Bowker. "The Transveal", illustrated. His first Concord appearance. Few better ever heard here.
 - 5. Mason & Down's Double "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Nov. 2
 Mat. 15, 25¢
 Eve. 25, 35, 50¢
 NO REVIEW
 - 3. (Union Hall) Republican State Committee Election Returns. Nov. 8
 - 9. Walker Lecture. Dr. Bowker, "Spain", illustrated. Nov. 10
 - 11. Alert Hose Ball. Stewartson's Or. Nov. 10, 12
 - 15. Henry W. Raymond (Walker Lecture), "The Nov. 16 Fighting Ship of Yesterday and Today"." Packed house.
 - 16. Walker Lecture. Dr. Bowker, "Hawaii" Nov. 17
 - 17. Afternoon. National Grange, Public Meeting. Nov. 18
 - 17. Evening. National Grange Degree Work. Nov. 18
 - 18. Priests of Demeter, degree work. Nov. 18

Robert Mackay, Esq.,

"Success", New York City.

My dear Mr. Mackay:-

I am very much obliged to you for your courteous permission to bring my obituary up to date. In order that you may assure yourself that I am taking no undue advantage of your kindness I enclose a proof of the proposed revision in which you may make any alterations that you may deem wise.

I get SUCCESS with gratifying regularity these days, and I think you are making a bully good paper of it.

Faithfully yours,

Soluthundrick Bang-

"Puck" was a humorous weekly.

- Nov. 21. John W. Isham's Octoroons. Ragtime and cakewalk. Nov.15,22 35, 50%; fair house; "a frost".
 - 23. Foresters' Ball

Nov. 23

- Book by George Dance; music by Ivan Caryll.

 Julie Bon Boh, Miss Delia Stacey(some sub. played) X
 Ruth, Miss Olive Wallace
 Nora, Miss Maud Daniels
 Mrs. Honeycomb, Miss Lee Hobbs Mertin
 Hans, Harry Mermsen
 Ebenezer Honeycomb, Alexander Clark
 Pompier, S ideny de Grey
 Dingle, Charles Drake
 Tom Everleigh, George Mitchell
 Maj. Fossdyde, J. C. Marlowe
 Amorette, French danseuse.
 Those with an X were specially praised.
 The show was good, though some of the musical numbers and most of the dancing were cut.
 Large audience. Present Calumb Calumbia.
- 30. Walker Lecture. John Kendrick Bangs. Readings. Dec. 1, 2
 A tremendous audience. Bangs in Boston the next
 day told a newspaper man: "It's really the only
 sort of a lecture to give, is a free lecture;
 you're always sure of a big house."
- Dec. 1.. Chas. Frohman presents J. M. Barrie's "The Nov. 25, Dec. 1,2

 Little Minister" with the second company
 that proved "the play's the thing".

 Gavin Dishart, Horace Mitchell
 Lord Rintoul, Frank E. Aiken
 Capt. Halliwell, Frederick Sumner
 Lady Babbie, Adelaide Thurston
 Felice, Hilda Englund
 Thwaits, Thomas Gibson
 Thomas Whamond, Harry Weaver
 Rob. Dow, Theodore Devere
 Micah Dow, Lillian Sullivan
 Snecky Hobart, George Conway
 Andrew Mealmaker, I. Williams
 Silva Tosh, William Henderson
 Sergt. Davidson J. Watson
 Joe Cruikshank, F. Le Bay
 Nannie Webster, Mary B. Henderson
 Jean, Josephine Stevens.
 Frohman took the unusual course, with

Fromman took the unusual course, with this company, of making no mention in the newspapers and advertisements of the names of the cast. So Adelaide Thurston came unknown and unheralded, but left 1000 admirers. This was her first appearance here. The rest of the cast was fine, and Aiken, Weaver, Conway, Williams, and Mrs. Henderson especially so. Great audience; curtain calls after Acts 2 and 3.

Program in D. J. adams Collection.

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Augusta, Me., Oct, 31 1809

M. Denman Phonopson

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My Dear Sie,

Hill you Kindly sind & me your autograph signature, and very much oblige Jours most truly Judeni Lotogg.

Jours tendy Demman Thompson Noor 4th/gg

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- Dec. 7. Walker Lecture. Rev. H. M. Wharton, " A Horseback Dec.7 Ride Trhough Palestine"
 - 15. Walker Lecture. Frank R. Robinson, "Manila and Dec. 16 the Philippine Islands", illerstrated.

 Large audience.
 - 17. Estey's Minstrels, a Vermont organization. Dec. 13, 19
 Mat. 12, 25, 35%
 Eve. 25, 35, 50% Small audience.
 A lenient critic said "no worse than the Octoroons".
 - 20. Walker Lecture. Thos. H. Dunsmore, Jr. Dec. 21 On astronomy, illustrated. Large house.
 - 311. Stage hands' banquet (Union Hall) Dec. 31
- Jan. 3. Democratic legislative caucuses. (Union Hall) Jan. 3
 - Spears' Comedy & Dramatic Co. 10,20,300; mat. 200. Dec.31

 2. "The Red Cross Nurse" large audience; stisfaction. Jan. 3

 3. "A Hero in Rags" good house Gan. 4

 4. "Bosom Friend of Bowser's" good house Jan. 5

 5. "Passion's Slave" 500 in house Jan. 6

 6. "A True Blue Yankee Girl" Jan. 6

 7. Matinee bill not styres stated.
 - 7. Matinee bill not given stated
 7. Eve. "The Senator's Daughter"

 Jan. 7
 - 12. Pilgrim Fathers' Masquerade Stewartson's Cr. Jan. 13
 Most successful ever; crowded.
 - 13. Kearsarge-Eagle Ball, the 35th. Jan. 14
 Nevers' Third Regt. Band. Crowded.
 - 20. Denman Thompson and Will Cressy in "The Old Jan. 14, 21

 **Romestead". Hardly a vacant seat.

 It had been rumored that Thompson and Hoyt

 were to collaborate on a new play. This

 D. T. denied while here, saying he would keep

 on with the old play until people tired of it.

 Thougan a Dy James Collection.
 - 24. "The Sleeping City", melodrama Jan. 19
 Promised a flying leap to liberty from the prison wall to a dashing express train.

 NO REVIEW
 - 27. Ball, Brotherhood of Locomotive Finemen. Jan. 28 Stewartson's Or.
- Feb. 1. Concord Minstrels. Stewartson's Or. 35,50¢ Jan. 9,31, Feb. 2
 Interlocutor, Fred I. Blackwood. Ends, C. P. Norton,
 A. J. Adams, L. H. Emerson, C. C. Plumer. Geo. Blackwood,
 Hugh B. Moore. Vocalists, Jas. T. Spellman, Geo. E. Dunn,
 Jas. Virgin, Jerome Stewartson, Arthur Taylor, Norton, Adams,
 Emerson. Sketch, Emerson & Plumer. Musical Specialty,
 Leighton & Moore. Tumblers, Rix & Kemp. Bassett Dancing Trio.
 Specialty act, West & Andrews, Brookline, Mass. Farce, "A
 Stage Rehearsal, or Uncle Tom's Cabin Under Difficulties"
 by Adams, with Joe Blanchette as Little Eva. Big house.

Feb. 2.	Walker Lecture, Dr. J. Tracy Edson	Feb. 2
4.	"Joshua Simpkins" Mat. 10, 20 d Eve. 25, 35, 50d	Feb. 1, 6
10.	Burrill Comedy Co. and or. 10, 20, 30%; mat.10,2 "Infatuation" very large audience "Saved from the Sea" curtain calls every act Mat. "East Lynne" good house Eve. "True As Steel" good house Matinee bill not given stated Eve. "Old Glory" large house Matinee bill not given stated Eve. "Rip Van Winkle" Mat. "Rip Van Winkle" Eve. "Somebody's Daughter" Company included Mr. Burrill, Laura I Minnie De Haven, W. A. Brummel, W. H. Bar George E. Fisher, Alfred A. Adams, Nellie H. M. Colby.	Feb. 7 Feb. 8 Feb. 9 Feb. 10 Feb. 10 Feb. 10 Feb. 10 Hurlburt
13.	Knights of Pythias Ball	Feb. 13
14.	Veterans' Masquerade	Feb. 14
15.	Dartmouth College Dramatic Club Feb. 13, 15, 16 "Twelfth Night", coached by Mrs. Belle M. Locke Orsino, Guy A. Ham Valentine, E. B. Watson Curio, R. B. Clark Sir Toby Belch, R. F. LEavens Sir Andrew Aguecheek, D. B. Rich Sebastian, W. P. Rankin Antonio, W. H. Howard, Jr. Roberto, A. H. Norris Malvolio, Joseph W. Gannon, Concord Clown, H. F. Parker Fabian, C. M. Owen Viola, J. L. Barmey Olivia, F. L. Hill Maria, L. Z. Murray. Warmly received by a good audience.	
17.	Al G. Field Minstrels Good show. Orogramin D. J. adams .	13, 18 bollection
Mar. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 11.	Brosnahan-Jackson Comedy Co. & or.10,20,30%; material control of Destiny" very large audience "Only a Farmer's Daughter" "Maine and Georgia" "Forgiven" crowded house And Maine and Georgia" "Under Two Flags" Mat. "Daughter of the Regiment" Evening bill not stated. Minnie Stanley was in the lead and Chas. Wall of Concord took prominent roles. These compares to their advertising between the acts, repapers, so it is hard to get the complete repares.	t.10,20¢. Mar. 1 Mar.4,5 Mar. 7 Mar. 8 ar. 9, 10 Mar. 10 Mar. 10 lace West

NOTE: Cressy and Dayne have gone into vaudeville. At Keith's Philadelphia Theater this week they have made a big hit. Monitor, February 18, 1899.

Mar. 14. Mat. Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Mar. 13, 14, 15 Eve. Ditto.

Large audience in evening. The dogs were

among the best trained members of the cast.

Organia D. J. adams loslation

Chas. H. Hoyt's "A Milk White Flag" Mar. 22, 28. Mar. 22, 29

First time here of one of his older shows.
The Orphan, Mary Marble
The Bereaved, Marie Dantes Phil Graves, John S. Marble Gen. Burleigh, L. J. Loring The Grayson Sisters danced. Well staged; fair company.

Nearly every seat taken Program in D. Adams Bollettion 30. Della Fox in "The Little Host" Mar. 25, 31 In support, John C. Slavin, R. E. Graham, Hugh Chilvers, Eugene O'Rourke, H. D. Blakemore, and lots of girls. Superb company, but as poor a piece as was ever seen here.

Nerly 1000 in audience bollection. Apr. 3. Ancient Order of Hibernians Ball Apr. 3

4. Belle Marshall Locke's "Breezy Point" Apr. 3, 5 5.

Directed by Mrs. Locke for Pilgrim Fathers.
35, 50, 75¢
Aunt Debby Dexter, Mrs. Clara A. Rix Elinor Pearl, Miss Persis J. Clough Ashrael Grant, Miss Sadie M. McDuffee Mrs. Hardscratch, Miss Carrie Mower Hardscratch Twins (Miss Maude A. Currier (Miss Eva May Caine Mehitable Doolittle, Miss Mabel O. Hall Bernice Vernon, Miss Nettie Lovely Laura De Sevigne, Miss Theresa Paulina Lapierre Edith Norton, Mrs. Abby R. Maxam Clarice Fenleigh, Miss Idella Maude Maxfield Fantine, Miss Edith Bruce Jones Old Clem, Miss Idella Helen George Stage Manager, W. P. Underhill Assistant, David J. Adams Well mounted and costumed. Good house first night, small on the second, when

(Union Hall) Beaver Meadow Golf Club. Apr. 6

was bettered.

7. Concord High School Cadet Prize Drill and Ball Apr. & The girl's battalion took part. Program in belieten O. Partridge Collection

the excellent first onight performance

Apr. 5. Mat. Leon W. Washburn's Minstrels. 15,25¢. Apr. 4, 10 Eve. Ditto, 25, 35, 50¢

The old-timer, Lew Benedict, was featured.

Another feature was the latest N. Y. fad, the illustrated song-steoropticon slides appropriate to the song being shown while it was sung. This fad lasted into the early years of the moving picture show.

Audience delighted.

10. Rehearsal of "Zephra" (White Mt. Lodge, I.O.O.F.). Apr. 8

11. Ditto Apr. 11

12. Performance. Book by R. W. Averill, who directed. Apr. 11, 14115

13. Matinee. Music by W. S. H. Jones, Manchester.

15. Evening. 35, 50, 75¢

14. Evening. Zephra, Miss Clara Harriott
Decius, George B. Wright
Neyera, Alice Rich Holbrook, Attleboro
Prince, George E. Dunn
First three times, large house; last, very large

15. Edward E. Rose's dramatization of Stanley Weyman's Apr.10,17 "Under the Red Robe".

William Morris as Gil de Berault. Frank McGlynn as Richelieu. Others in cast included Miss Frances Gaunt in the lead, H. S. Northrup, and Margaret Kenmore.

Audience of moderate size showed great enthusiasm.

18. "Sowing the Wind"

Rosamund, Miss Amelia Gardner

Brabazon, Howard Hall

Watkins, W. H. Turner

Lord Petworth, Julien Barton

Small audience, but enthusiastic over

a performance as good as the play ever had here

19. Y. M. C. A. Farmers' Gymnasium Exhibition Apr. 20

May 1. 40th Unitarian May Festival Apr. 27, May 1, 2
Sales
4:00. Children's Dances
5:30-8. Supper.
8:00. Francy Dances.

Followed by dancing.
Admission, 25%; reserved seats, 35, 50, 75¢

7. Anti-Saloon Meeting. May 5

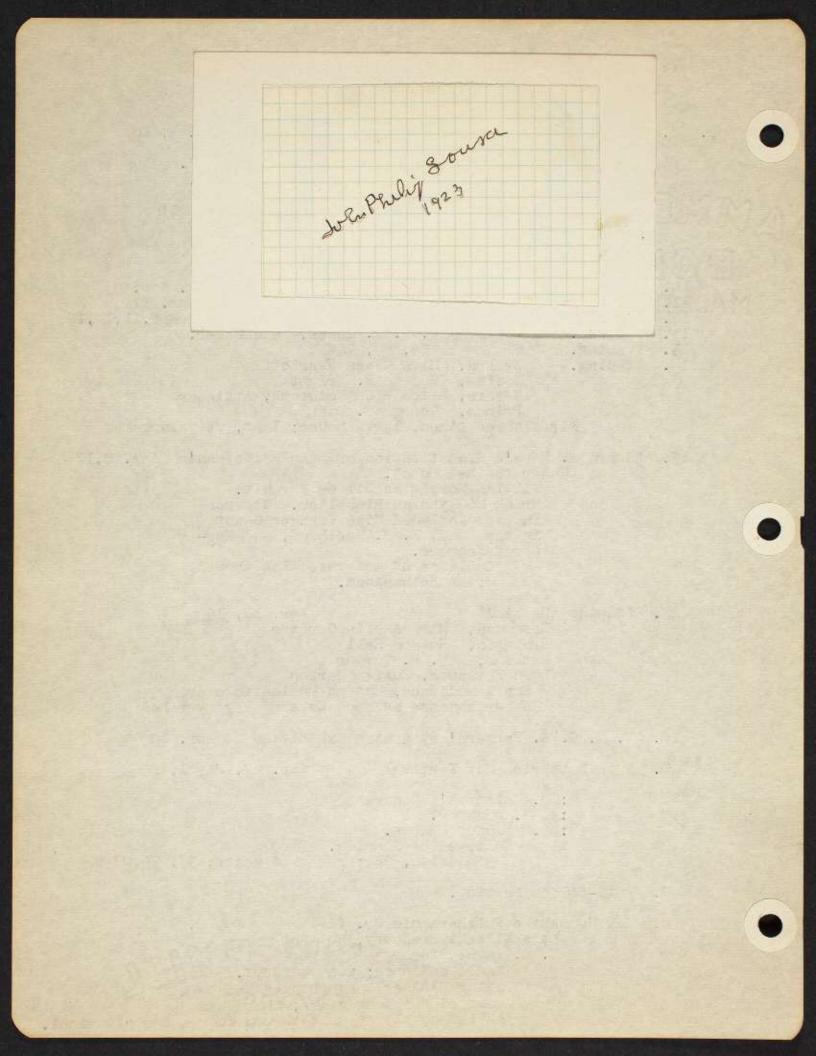
S. New Hampshire Philharmonic Or. (24) May 2, 9

Etta Kileski Bradbury, soprano

E. C. Towne, tenor

Small audience; fine concert.

After Blaisdell symphonies had been omitted for some years, there was again complaint that the music was too classical.



- May 20. Met. Sousa's Band May 13, 20

 Maude Reese Davies, soprano
 Dorothy Hoyle, violin, formerly for a time in Concord
 Herbert L. Clarke, cornet.

 Very large audience. Every number encored.

 NOTE: A review of the season in Monitor, May 20
 - 21. Citizens' Temperance Meeting. May 22
 Mayor Nathaniel E. Martin endorsed
 for closing Concord's saloons.
 - 31. Lecture, suspices of K. of C., Rev. John P. May 24, June 1
 Chidwicks late chaplain of the Maine.
 "The Late War, Its Cause and Results"
 35, 50% Large audience.
- June 1. Banquet, 100th Anniversary, Blazing Star Lodge, June 2 Masons
 - 23. Afternoon. Concord High School Graduation. June 23
 - 23. Evening. Graduation Levee. Blaisdell's Or. June 24

Summary, Season of 1898-1899:

White's Opera House alone, 109 Union Hall alone, 6 Total bookings, 115

As the people of the day liked to call the time, this was fin de siècle. Everything had to be very up-to-date. The Opera House yielded to the tide to the extent of making a few improvements during the summer of 1899. They were principally on the stage. Robert H. MacAndrew refurbished the old sets and made two new ones, interior and exterior. He retauched the drop curtain, and the Monitor remarked that the Italian lady would rush the growler for another season. The painting on the drop represented an Italian scene (always, as far as the editor can recall), and a prominent figure was the Italian lady bearing a waterjar (or was it wine?) on her shoulder. The ensuing season was to see a fin de siecle touch to the bookings. The latter part of the decade had been featuring farces, along with musical shows and melodramas. Now Concord was to have a taste of French farce. It was to be noted that the better element of theater-goers stayed away when such pieces were presented; but, though the Monitor decried them as salacious, and the more conservative stayed away, the fact remained that they were well patronized. There were plenty of Concord people with a good house, while "Brass", it might be added) to make a good house, while the numerous Shakespeare for which the town was famous, could draw only a measly crowd. But plays of quite another, wholesome, nature could also draw good houses--"The Old Homestead", "Sowing the Wind", "Shore Acres", "The Little Minister", "The Prisoner of Zenda", "Under the Red Robe" -- to mention only a few that held local audiences at the end of the century.

For the season of 1899-1900, the personnel of the house was nearly the same as before. Manager, Benjamin C. White; Treasurer, Frank P. Mace; Stage Manager, David J. Adems; House Officer, Joseph C. Eaton; Electrician, Fred Emerton; Programmer, Charles H. Stone; Ushers, Clarence E. Betton, H. G. Allen, E. C. Lyons, G. L. Crosby, W. G. Fuller, A. W. Todd, F. T. Jackman, C. O. Partridge; Stage Hands, Walter Coffin, Fred Carr, C. C. Plummer, Oscar Plummer; Program Distributor, Frank Crockett. Monitor, September, 13, 1899.

Bookings.

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Sept. 13. The Brothers Byrne in "The New Eight Bells". Sept. 5, 14

Spectacular pantomime; fair house greatly pleased.

18. Concord's first French farce, "The Turtle". Sept. 12, 19
Famous in Paris, London, Berlin, N. Y. (200nights)
Champalier, John Terriss

Champalier, John Terriss Leonie, Miss Sylvia Alice Leyden, "superb" Juliette, Ada Zell

Mothers-in-law (Jessie Lansing (Ada Morton

500 in house.
Naughty, but furiously funny.
Every actor scored
hit.

Briquet, William McReady Adolphe, Harry Gibbs Junard, Clement St. Martin Gioleau, John E. MacGregor

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- Sep. 20. Joseph Arthur's "Blue Jeans"

 June, Miss Ethel Barrington
 Sue, Miss Anna Hollinger
 Perry Bascom, W. W. Nichols but their support
 Col. Risener, Frank Ambrose
 Ben Boone, Jay Packard
 Jacob Tuteweiler, John H. Rowe
 A small house made a great noise of appreciation.
 - 25. "The Good Mr. Best", a farce

 Not French. No present review, but
 in the review of the season, it was
 rated as very poor.

 Sept. 19
- Oct. 2. Hall Caine's "The Christian"

 John Storm, J. M. Colville

 Lord Storm, W. S. St. Clair

 HorationDrake, Frank Weston

 Lord Robert Ure, Edward Emery

 Archdeacon Waalthy, Frank A. Lyon

 Father Lamplugh, Robert Harold, Jr.

 Parson Quayle, Frank Maynard

 The Faro King, W. S. St. Clair

 The Manager, Frank Maynard

 Brother Paul, Mart J. Cody

 Mrs. Callender, Carrie Lee Stoyle

 Polly Love, Fanchon Campbell

 Betty, Jane Wheatley

 Letty, Edith De Groff

 Nettie, Sue Van Dusen

 Liza, Mildred Burnham

 Glory Quayle, Effie Ellsler

The largest house of the whole season. Here was a best-selling novel, not a great one, turned into a play by the author and making a success of a day, but soon to be forgotten.

The audience was visibly affected, but applauded little. The performance, thoroughly enjoyable, suffered by comparison with that seen by many in Boston, with Viola Allen, Henry Jewett, and Jack Mason. The Monitor thought the play inferior to the novel, and was later to express the view that the suggestive "Zaza" was more Christian than "The Christian".

Program in David J. Adams Collection.

3. Chas. Frohman presents Alexander Bisson's "On and Off". Sept. 27

Another French farce. Superbly acted. Oct. 4

George Godfray, E. M. Holland
Alfred Godfray, Fritz Williams
Mme. Brumaire, Maggie Holloway-Fisher
Brumaire, Samuel Reed
Du Paty de Clam, Ralph Delmore
Martel, James Kearney
Randolphe, Jay Wilson
Madeleine Godfray, Ethel Tittell
Mme. Martel, Anita Rothe
Lisette, May Lambert
Rosa Martel, Augusta Glose (see next page)

(Cast of "On and Off" cont.)
Julie, May Galyer
Alice, Louise Douglass
Though the Monitor was ashamed
of French farces, admission was forced that
such a cast would hardly again be seen here.

- Oct. 5. Ryer & Thompson's "The Sunshine of Paradise Alley". Oct. 3, 6
 Widow McNally, Mrs. Charles Peters
 Sunshine, Phila May
 Mrs. O'Grady, May Thompson
 Helen Rich, Grace Kimball
 Mrs. Watson, Pearl Hamlin
 Other parts by John Walsh, W. J. Sully,
 John Gorman, Donald Harold.
 Fair house.
 - 11. Phil Sheridan's "New City Sports". Oct. 7, 14

 First old-time burlesque in years. Advertised, and produced, 25 beautiful

 women and ten funny comedians.

 Half a house appleauded these "red peppers".

 Most of the showwas decent, a little of it objectionable.

E. V. Phelan's Stock Co. and Byrd Dougherty's Women's Orchestra. 10,20,30¢; mats. 10,20¢ 16. "Forgiven" standing room only Oct. 17 Mat. "A Slave of the Czar"

"As In a Looking Glass" 1000 in house
Mat. "LadyysAudley's Secret"

E ve. "Held by the Enemy" capacity house 17. Oct. 17 17. Oct. 18 18. Oct. 18 18. Oct. 19 Gillette need not have been ashamed. Best performance at 10, 20, 30 ever seen here Mat. "The Voyages of Capt. Bennett"
Eve. "Captain Swift", first time here 19. Oct.19 19. Oct. 20 Excellent. Crowded house Mat. "The Mate of the Nonesuch" 20. Oct. 20 Eve. "A Southern Romance". Splendidly staged. 20. Oct. 21 Packed house. Program in Dollars bollection Mat. "Forgiven" Eve. "Monte Cristo". Ella Cameron as Dantes. 21. Oct. 21 21. Oct. 23 1200 in house; 100 twomed away.
The company grossed the largest sum of any week stand to date. The leads were as good as the best in rep. and the support was well balanced. Special scenery carried was ample. The leads were Ella Cameron and Jack Drumeer. Support: John L. Clarke, Imogen Harlan, Albert Lando, David De Wolf, George D. Cunningham, George Ovey, J. N. Binkley, Harry Turner, John Kane,

Frank Hopkins, Jeanette Howell.

This confing was remembered for years after so the best of its class.

- Oct. 24. "Duffy's Jubilee"

 A thin sprinkle of people saw the worst show of the whole season. The Monitor said that the play might have been written by a blind man with a pair of shears and half a dozen farces to clip, the older the better. The only good thing was Maud Ryan's dancing, but that she was in poor voice would be putting it mildly.
 - 27. Geo. H. Broadhurst's "What Happened to Jones". Oct. 23,28
 Played by one of 11 companies on the
 road with this American farce. This
 company had only one actor (Charles J.
 Greene) who had appeared before here in
 the piece. The leads were well filled,
 but some of the support was weak. Yet
 the performance pleased the audience, a
 small one.
 - 28. David Belasco's "The Heart of Maryland" Oct. 23, 30
 A really magnificent performance by the same company as appeared last season in the play. Large audience.
- Nov. 4. Wm. A. Brady presents Lottie Blair Parker's Oct. 30, Nov. 6
 "Way Down East", rewritten by Joseph
 R. Grismer.
 Not a "Shore Acres"; hardly an "61d
 Homestead", but a very human play
 about rural life in New Hampshire.
 Cast good enough, but not distinguished.
 - 13. Hi Henry's Minstrels. 25, 35, 50% Nov. 10, 14
 Fine show; large audience.
 - 16. Walker Lecture. Rev. Peter McQueen. "The Nov. 17 Philippine Islands" Guny seat taken.
 - 20. Sutton Vane's "The Span of Life" Nov. 16, 21
 The Donazettas (acrobats) form a human
 bridge over which three run to safety.
 35, 50

 Excellent production; good house.
 - 22. Walker Lecture. W. Hinton White, "Australia". Nov. 23 "Ohs" and "Ahs" when very fine pictures were shown.
 - 28. Walker Lecture. Bishop Charles H. Fowler. Nov. 28 "Great Deeds of Great Men"
 - 29. Foresters' Ball. Blaisdell's Or. Large crowd. Nov. 28, 29, Dec. 1

Its the Smile that's the hard part of dancing! Rosestake.

- Dec. 6. Walker Lecture. George C. Lorimer, D. D. Dec. 7
 "Changes and Chances". Crowded.
 - 7. David Belasco's "La Belle Russe". Dec. 1, 2, 8

 First time here. This was an old play of

 Belasco's, put on the road after the great

 success of "The Heart of Maryland". Only a

 very small audience—the smallest of the

 whole season—turned out, but they saw an

 excellent production by a strong cast.

 La Belle Russe, Rose Stahl

 Dudley Brand, William Bonelli

 Sir Philip Calthorpe, John Ince

 Lady Calthorpe, Eliza HudsonManramaxanit

 Monroe Quilton, Frederick Cook

 Agnes, Pauline Hendrie

 Beatrice, Little Gertrude

 Others incast; Agnes Nevins,
 - Jere McAuliffe Stock Co. 10,20,30%; mats, 10,20%. Dec. 9
 11. Thos, E. Shea's "The Man-o'-War's Man" Dec. 8,12
 Record attendance of 1200 for first night of
 week's engagement--1200--brought out by the
 fact that Lawrence Grattan (formerly Lawrence
 Gahagan, Mrs. Locke's star pupil) was in the
 lead. Penacook turned out with flowers.

Thomas Tuther, William Rowland.

- 12. "Southern Chimes" Dec. 13
 13. Mat. "Niobe". Jere was the comedian, Dec. 13
- and there were shrieks of laughter.

 13. Eve. "Lights o' London" 800 in house Dec. 14

 14. "Under Sealed Orders" crowded Dec. 15

 15. "Snares of New York" several hundred Dec. 16
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 16. Mat. "Rip Van Winkle" Great performance by Jere.Dec. 16
 16. Eve. "Escaped From Sing Sing" crowded. Dec. 18

 Lawrence Grattanl leading man; Jere McAuliffe,
 leading comedian; Miss Jessie Merritt, leading
 woman; others, James Ryan, Burt McCann, Fred Sanders,
 Alfred Lees, Harry Jenkins, Len Richey, Herbert
 Emery, Fred Malcolm, Charles Thompson, Eugenie
 Bowen, Maudie Scott.
 Receipts for week, over \$1400, nearly equal to
 Phelan's. For sketch of Grattan see Monitor,
- 21. Walker Lecture. Dr. John C. Bowker. Dec. 22 "Imperial India", illustrated
- 25. Mat. Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin". 15, 25¢ Dec. 21, 26 Eve. Ditto. 25, 35, 50¢. Fair houses.
- 27. Walker Lecture. Frank E. Buker. Dec. 27

December 9.

In "Hot Old Time" (Ho lo Ceauson's mates): ada Burnett, Florrie Evans, The Fanchonettis



Dec. 28. Dartmouth College Dramatic Club, Kate Ryan coach. Dec. 28, 29 Arthur W. Pinero's "The Magistrate" (Fire performance of Pinero here) Mr. Posket, Guy A. Ham Mr. Postet, Guy A. Ham
Mrl Bullamy, B. S. Stevens
Col. Lukyn, R. L. Scales
Capt. Horace Vale, F. L. Hill
Cis Farringdon, G. L. Dow
Mr. Wormington, W. L. Hartshorn
Achille Blond, W. B. Thompson
Isidore, H. F. Parker
Inspector Messiter W. L. Hartsh Inspector Messiter, W. L. Hartshorn Serg. Lugg, J. A. Brown Constable Harris, W. Blair Wyke, H. F. Parker Agathe Posket, H. N. Sanborn Charlotte Verrinder, R. H. Whitcomb

30. Chas. Frohman presents another French farce, Dec. 22, 26, Jan. 1 Chas. Brookfield's "The Cuckoo", with the original cast including Joseph Holland, Eleanor Moretti (who subbed for Amelia Bingham), Charles Bowser, Clayton Whyte, Augusta Glose, Nora Duablane, Annie Wood, Frank Lea Short, Carl St. Aubyn, David Mc Carthey, H. S. Lewis, Joseph A. Weber, Fulton Russell, Etta Morris. The Monitor was pleased to report that the French farce audiences were dwindling

Beatie Tomlinson, H. T. Sibley

L. Z. Murray

Good house; most satisfactory production.

Popham,

and that this exceptional cast drew only 200
people. Two early for such congratulation.

Also in cut fun 16.6.0: Cleans moreti

4. "A Hot Old Time", rewritten by Geo. M. Cohan. Jan. 1, 5
It was "slam bang, noisy fun."

Program D. J. Casama Collection

9. Culhane, Chace & Weston's Minstrels. 25, 35, 50%. Jan. 8, 10
Called a "pretty fair show". The stars in the
second part were the three St. Felix Sisters. second part were the three St. Felix Sisters.

Pilgrim Fathers' Masquerade. Blaisdell's Cr. 10. Jan. 11

12. Kearsarge Eagle Ball, Blaidell's Or. Jan. 12

21. Walker Lecture. Geo. Kennan, "Cuba". Jan. 22

Overflow audience. 24. Waster Leture Rev. Russell to Conwell, "acres of Diamonds". Vastantine spellowed Jan. 25.
25. Blaisdell's Philharmonic Or. (24) Jan. 26

Miss Marcia Crafts, soprano. Large audience heard Selection from Wagners "Flying Dutchman", Beethoven's First Symphony, Grieg's "Peer Gynt Suite", and Strauss's "Blue Danube"

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- Jan. 26. Co. C Prize Drill and Ball. Corp. Lakeman won. Jan. 27 Stewartson's Or. Large crowd.
 - 31. Concord Misstrels. A. F. Nevers, mus. dir. Jan. 31, Feb. 1 Orchestra led by Carlyle W. Blaisdell. 50¢
 - Pt. I. Interlocutor, Fred I. Blackwood. Ends, Chas. P. Norton, Arthur J. Adams, Leon H. Emerson, Hugh H. Moore, Chas. R. Woodbury, Geo. T. Blackwood, J. Harry Leighton.

Soloists, I Eugene Keeler, George E. Dunn, Henry H. Gorrell, Jas. T. Spellman. The Madrigal Boys, Arthur Taylor, Ralph Tucker, Nat Chandler, Eddie Calvert.

Olio. Nevers, cornet; Bassett Children in song and dance; Frank E. Holding, Boston boy violinist; Erastus Osgood, monologue; Schubert Male Quartette; Leighton & Emerson, sketch.

Farce. "A Mistake of Tyme" Nearly every seat taken; "rattling good show" lasted over three hours.

- Feb. 1. Walker Lecture. Albert Armstrong reads Ian Feb. 1 Maclaren's "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush".
 - Rice's Comedians. 10,2030%; mat. 10,20%/ Feb. 1 Edwin Arden's "Eagle's Nest" 900 people "The Phoenix" large crowd Feb. 6 6. Feb. 7 Mat. Play not named. Deb. Eve. "Dollars and Sense" 800 people Feb. 8
 - 7.
 - Mat. Play not named. Eve. "A Fool and His Money" excellent 8. Feb. 9
 - Mat. Play not named Eve. "In the Heart of Russia" 600; excellent. Feb. 10
 - Mat. "The Three Hats"

 Eve. "The Counterfeiters" crowded Feb. 10, 12

 Charles P. Rice and Miss Clara M. Langley in leads.

 Others: D. S. Murdock, George H. Rickets, Freeman 10. 10. A. Howes, E. M. Hall, Harry J. Lealand, A. Victor, Miss Pauline Geary, Miss Jennie Bowen, Miss Edna Macbeth. Between the acts (vaudeville); Frey & Evans; Willie Foster, boy soprano.
 - Walker Lecture. Dr. Wolf. "The Present Crisis Feb. 13 in the Transvaal" (pro-British).
 - 13. Al G. Field Greater Minstrels. Feb. 9, 14 900 turned out in a storm to see a show not equalled since the palmy days of Thatcher, Primrose & West. Croque in D. J. Adams Collection.
 - 16. Co.E Prize Drilland Ball. Blaisdell's Or. Feb. 17 First, Serg. W. G. C. Kimbell, Jr; Second, Serg. Frank P. McKenna.

- Feb. 20. Walker Course. Polk Miller, songs and stories of Feb. 21 the Sunny South. Large audience
 - 21. Blaisdell's Second Philharmonic (22 men) Feb. 20, 22

 Mrs. Blanche Helmburge-Kilduff

 Large house heard a more polular concert than last
 - 28. Ullie Akerstrom in "The Doctor's Warm Reception". Feb.23, Mar.1
 Adapted by Ullie from the French farce,
 "Dr. To-To", formerly played by her as
 "My Mother-in-Law", and substantially the
 same as "Dr. Bill".
 House filled. Good support by Flora
 Staniford, Amelie Baird, May Florence, Bertha Livingston, Charles Bronson, E. S. Morey,
 Victor Harvey, Frank Christie, J. T. McEnary.
- Mar. 3. Chas. Frohman presents David Belasco's version Feb.24, Mar.1,5

 of Berton & Simon's "Zaza"

 Zaza, Miss Mabel Howard (Leslie Carter's understudy)
 Cascart, L. F. Morrison
 Bernard Dufrene, Frank A. Connor
 Duc de Brissac, Frank Andrews
 Toto, Little Nelly Granger
 Alice Morel, Blanche Hall
 Aunt Rose, ***Sismax**Rhititips** Lizzie Du Roy
 Nathalie, Helena Phillips,

 ? Violet Stewart

 Mme. Dufrene, Marie Thill
 Stage Manager at the Alcazar, Frank L. Davis.
 Fair house, but not proportionate to the
 cccasion---"a great play". The house, though
 not large in numbers, made up in enthusiasm.
 There were curtain calls after the second, thid,
 and fourth acts--several after the fourth. Thee
 audience continued to applaud for minutes after
 the curtain fell on the last call, but were not
 answered, since Miss Howard had fainted. Thus
 - 6. Chas. Frohman sends back "The Little Minister". Mar.3,7
 Adelaide Thurston again Lady Babbie.
 Some changes in the support, particularly
 Gavin Dishart played by Ira A. Hards.
 Gratefully the Monator remarked that "The
 Little Minister" was one of the few plays
 then on the stage to which sons and daughters could safely take their parents.
 In spite of a heavy storm, 500
 came out.

the fifth act had to be cut some.

7. Walker Lecture. Dr. J. Milnor Coit, of Ma St. Paul's School, "Liquid Air"